

# Time to Reflect

**“The stones would shout out!”** It’s a strange thing that Jesus suggests as a way of topping off an argument. Perhaps he is trying to find a form of words that says *“this is so important that nothing can keep quiet about it”*?

Most Christians love their palm crosses. And most love the way in which, now, the Church acts out the entry into Jerusalem, walking, singing, holding our crosses. For a moment, for an instant, we proudly wear the badge of being a disciple of Jesus, we dare to walk the streets (alright, walk through a very short section of the Wylde on a quiet Sunday morning). It feels exhilarating. It gives us courage and hope.

But (there is always a “but”, I find) we know how this narrative goes. We know that the same crowd, the same people probably, were those who sang from a very different songbook five days later. And we know how, if asked, we might also shy away from such outward display of faith, from walking through the busy streets of Bury on a market day. (You can prove me wrong by joining the Walk of Witness on Good Friday at 12 Noon starting at Bury URC).

Where do the ‘stones’ fit in? If, as suggested, *“this is so important that nothing can keep quiet about it”* what Jesus is saying is that the whole of Creation rejoiced to see the Christ. The whole of Creation. We, with the stones, should vibrate with joy at the presence of Christ. And we, with the stones, should be able to shout aloud that the Lord is here.

## Worship and Activities this week

Sun	12.00 Parish Lunch 5.00pm Office Hour 6.30pm Evensong
Mon	9.30am Morning Prayer 10.30am Renewal of Vows Service and Blessing of Oils @ M/cr Cathedral 1.00pm “In-house” @ House on t’Rock 7.30pm Eucharist for Holy Week
Tues	1.30pm St Paul’s Easter Service 7.30pm Eucharist for Holy Week
Wed	11.00am Holy Communion 7.30pm Eucharist for Holy Week
Thurs	9.30am Morning Prayer 10.00am Tiddlers @ Church House 10.45am Funeral of Kevin Sellars 12.45pm Holy Communion 6.30pm Seder Meal 8.00pm Sung Eucharist, Foot Washing & Stripping of Altar
Fri	10.00am Good Friday Liturgy 12.00pm Ecumenical Walk of Witness starting at Bury URC 12.00pm <b>Family Messy Good Friday</b> in Blackburne Hall 2.00pm An hour at the Cross 4.00pm Come & Sing Rehearsal 7.30pm Faure Requiem Concert
Sat	9.30am Morning Prayer 9.30am Easter Flowers and basket preparation 6.30pm Easter Vigil

**Next Week: Easter Day  
21 April 2019**

7.00am Holy Communion in Rectory Garden
8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Easter Eucharist & Renewal of Baptismal Vows
6.30pm Music and Readings for Easter

## Palm Sunday

14thth April 2019

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We **welcome you** and hope you enjoy being with us. If you’re not familiar with our services, don’t worry. We follow a written order of service and at times will tell you which page we’re on.

We also **welcome children in church**. If your child gets restive in church, don’t be afraid to get up and move around if this helps. There is a toilet at the back of church.

There is a **Hearing Loop** for those who would value it.



### 8.00am Said Holy Communion

*Sunday next before Easter (p 95)*

President: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr

Preaching : Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr

### 10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday School

President: Julian Heaton, Rector

Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector

Hymns: As per Service Sheet

**Motet:** Alan Bullard : Feast of Palms

### 6.30pm Evensong

Minister : Julian Heaton, Rector

Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector

**Hymns:** 128 (omit\*); 127 (i); 129

Psalm 69 : 1-20 (pg. 386)

Isaiah 5. 1-7 (pg.544)

Luke 20 . 9-19 (pg. 867)

**Anthem:**

Thomas Weelkes :

Hosanna to the Son of David

# Cornerstone

Serving Bury, deepening our faith, caring for the marginalised, sharing the Good News of Jesus.

## Today's Readings

### The Collect

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory. **Amen**

### Liturgy of the Palms (in the Blackburne Hall)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
Luke (Luke 19.28-40)

### Glory to You, O Lord

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell

you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*  
Praise to You, O Christ

### A reading from the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 50.4-9)

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

*This is the word of the Lord*

### Thanks be to God

## Easter Vigil

On 20 April (Holy Saturday) we are hosting an Easter Vigil at 6.30pm. What's an Easter Vigil? We

- listen to the great stories of God's love
- light the Easter Fire and
- bless our Paschal Candles.

Other Anglican churches are joining together. The Archdeacon is preaching.

After the service there will be a party and we need Cake. All offers gratefully received. Let Julian know. Thanks in advance.



Jesus and his disciples did in the Upper Room. We meet for a meal and share in Passover, a telling of the story of God's rescue of his people and his constant love for them.

Come and join us. Please let Mark Brody (who is cooking soup—or Sheila, who is baking breads) know so we get the amounts about right.

## Holy Week Services

*This week, of all weeks in the Church's Year, is the week to make time for God in worship.*

**7.30pm Monday—Wednesday Eucharists.** We will take the readings of the day and look at how artists have helped us see God at work in our world.

**8.00pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist.** We join with the church worldwide as we enter afresh into the Upper Room (see Seder meal above)

**Good Friday.** So many different opportunities to draw near to the Lord. Services and activities throughout the day.

## Confirmation Candidates

Children (11 and over)/adults not receiving communion? Not baptised? We are hosting a Confirmation here on Pentecost Sunday (9 June) at 6.30pm. Interested? See the clergy today! Must be regular worshippers, available for Sunday morning classes, serious about this step.

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